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PRESS RELEASE

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TRAINS BANGLADESHI PROSECUTORS

Dhaka, January 15, 2015 – Tonight, Chargé e d’Affaires David Meale, Law Minister of Bangladesh, Honorable Anisul Huq and U.S. Department of Justice’s (DOJ) Office of Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT) Legal Advisor Thomas Dougherty will welcome over eighty prosecutors to the *2015 OPDAT Case Preparation and Trial Skills Training Program Alumni Symposium* at the U.S. Embassy’s American Center Auditorium.

DOJ/OPDAT has conducted fifteen intensive trial advocacy training programs for over 300 Additional and Assistant Public Prosecutors (APPs) all over Bangladesh, including Dhaka, Sylhet, Rajshahi, Chittagong, Khulna and Barisol since July, 2012. The four-day curriculum includes lectures, demonstrations and exercises on case preparation, police/prosecutor cooperation, direct and cross examination, witness preparation, opening statements, closing arguments and professional responsibility. The training program culminates in a full mock trial.

The symposium is being held to solicit feedback from the graduates of the training programs on how they have been able to use the training in their work as prosecutors, provide a forum for them to share best practices and build their professional network.

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